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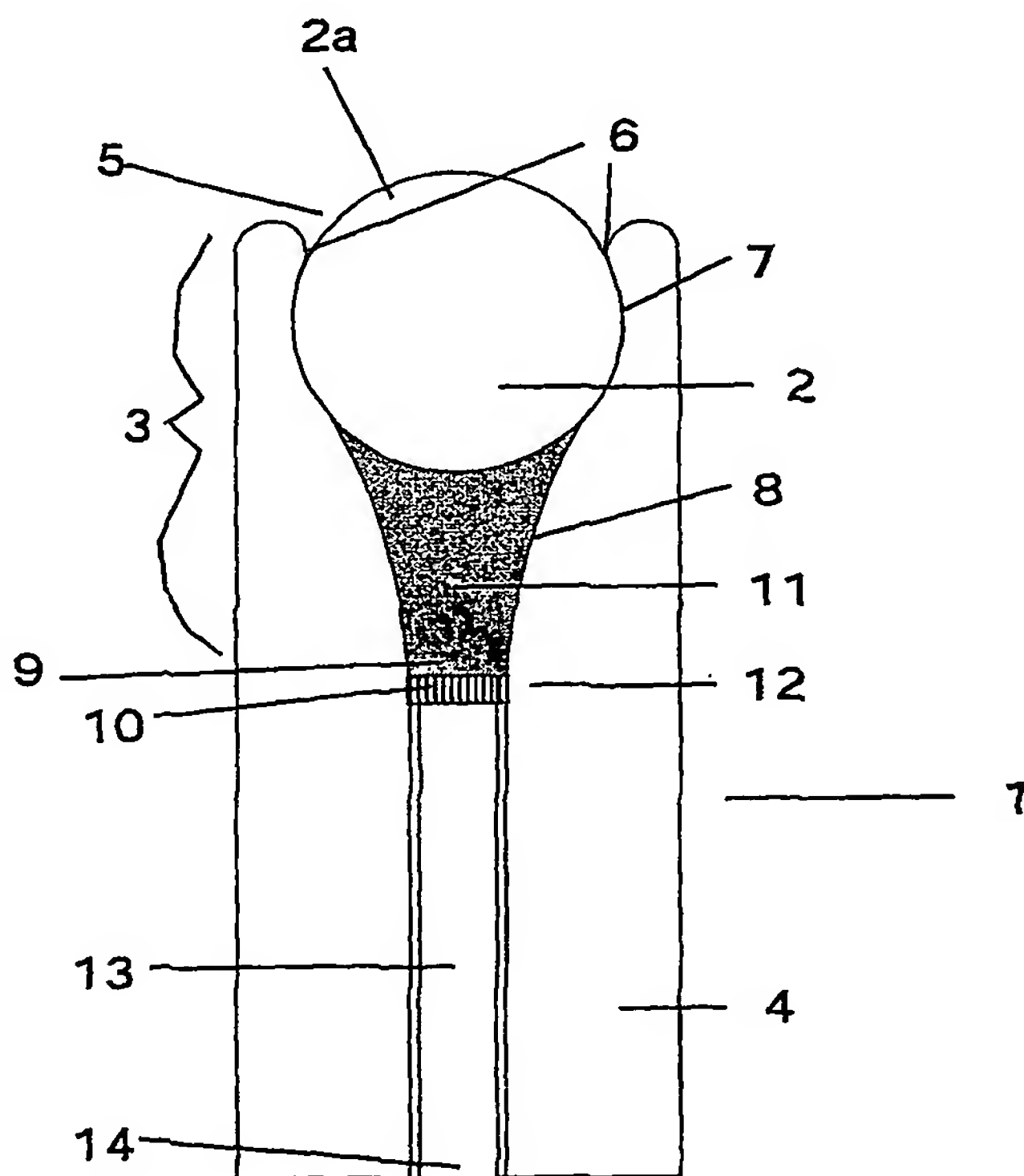
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(57) Abstract: A method and a device for collecting a sam-  
ple of material from a surface. A ball (2) within a socket (3)  
such that the ball is free to rotate in any direction. As the ball  
rolls across the surface the sample of material is collected by  
the ball and is transferred by the ball to a collection reservoir  
(not shown) via the conduit (14). An absorbent material may  
be placed in space (11) and a filter (10) in the outlet (9) is per-  
meable to fluid but not absorbent material.



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